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SEPTEL REPORTS ON TALKS HELD ON MAY 6 WITH RABOT ON THE COMMISSION'S REACTION TO THE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE UNITED STATES. THE FOLLOWING IS THE INTREGAL TEXT GIVEN TO US BY THE COMMISSION INCORPORATING THE COMMISSION'S RESPONSES TO OUR SUGGESTED CHANGES.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. THE GROUP MET FROM 27 TO 27 MARCH, FROM 15 TO 17 APRIL

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AND MAY 1975 AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS. THE GROUP AGREED

THAT THE GROUP SHOULD BE CHAIRED BY THE SECRETARIAT. IT INVITED THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF UNCTAD OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THIS SESSION OF THE GROUP AS AN OBSERVER.

2. THE GROUP AGREED THAT IT WOULD TREAT TARIFFS AND NON-TARIFF MEASURES RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

IT WAS NOTED THAT MATTERS OF A GLOBAL NATURE INCLUDING TARIFFS AND NON-TARIFF MEASURES AFFECTING AGRICULTURE WOULD BE TAKEN UP IN A NUMBER OF CONTEXTS WITHIN THE OVERALL FRAMEWORK OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS. IN SUCH CASES, THE GROUP AND ITS SUB-GROUPS WILL CONCERN THEMSELVES WITH THE AGRICULTURAL ASPECTS OF THESE MATTERS AND WILL TREAT THEM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WORK OF THE TARIFFS AND NON-TARIFF MEASURES GROUPS AND THE RESULTS OF THIS WORK WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO OTHER GROUPS CONCERNED WITH A VIEW TO ARRIVING AT THE HARMONIOUS AND BALANCED DEVELOPMENT OF ALL THE ELEMENTS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION IN FURTHERANCE OF PARAGRAPH NUMBER 8 OF THE TOKYO DECLARATION.

3. THERE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSION OF WHETHER IT WAS NECESSARY TO CREASTE SUB-GROUPS ON SOME TARIFFS OR NON-TARIFF MEASURES AND THE GROUP HAS AGREED TO COME BACK LATER TO THIS QUESTION.

4. THE GROUP AGREED THAT SOME AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS WHICH REPRESENTED A LARGE SHARE IN WORLD TRADE AND WERE WIDELY TRADED MIGHT LEND THEMSELVES TO MULTUALTERAL SOLUTIONS. WITH THIS IN VIEW IT AGREED TO ADDRESS ITSELF INITIALLY TO GRAINS, DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MEAT. IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT OTHER PRODUCTS MIGHT BE ADDED AT A LATER STAGE.

5. THE GROUP AGREED TO ESTABLISH NEGOTIATING SUB-GROUPS, DEALING WITH ALL THE ELEMENTS RELEVANT TO TRADE IN THESE PRODUCTS, FOR THE FOLLOWING SECTORS:

(A) GRAINS. IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATING IN THE MULTIALTERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WERE ALSO PARTICIPATING THE WORK RECENTLY STARTED IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL WOULD CONTINUE ACTIVELY TO PURSUE THAT WORK ALSO. AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, THE SUB-GROUP SHALL CONSIDER HOW BRST TO INTEGRATE INTO ITS WORK ANY RESULTS OF THE WORK AT PRESENT GOING ON IN THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL.

(B) DAIRY PRODUCTS

(C) MEAT (INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS)

6. THE GROUP AGREED THE ABOVE SUB-GROUPS WOULD THEMSELVES ORGANIZE THEIR WORK.

7. THE GROUP EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE BEARING IN

MIND THROUGHOUT THE MULTIALTERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, AND
ESPECIALLY THE AGRICULTURAL NEGOTIATIONS, THE NEED TO GIVE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SPECIAL AND MORE FAVORABLE TREATMENT
WHERE FEASIBLE AND APPROPRIATE.

8. THE GROUP AGREED THAT THE SUB-GROUPS BELOW SHOULD
HOLD THEIR FIRST MEETING ON:

- SUB-GROUP ON GRAINS
- SUB-GROUP ON MEAT
- SUB-GROUP ON DAIRY PRODUCTS. END TEXT. MYERSON

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